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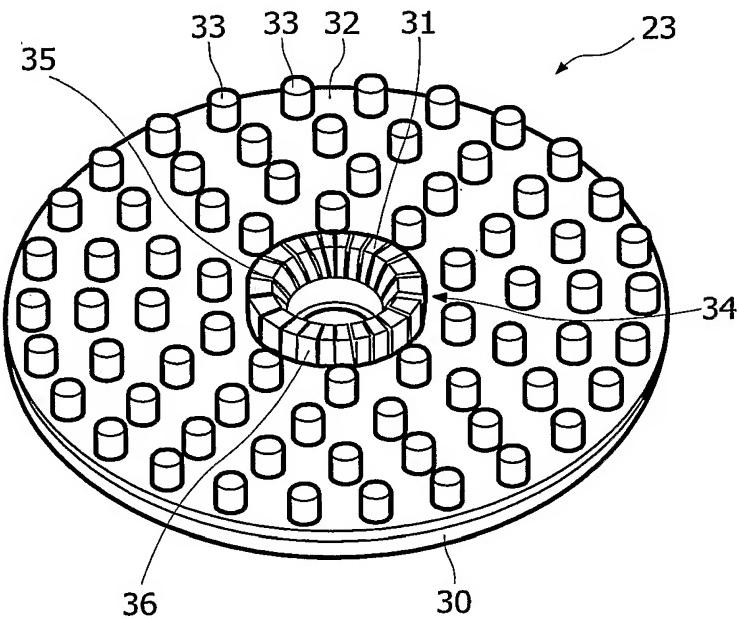
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(54) Title: A COFFEE MAKER HAVING A FILTER SUPPORT INCORPORATING A SIEVE



(57) Abstract: A filter support (23) for supporting a filter pad or such like in a coffee maker. The filter support (23) comprises a disc with a discharge opening (31) at its centre. On one surface (32) of the filter support (23) there are a plurality of support projections (33). When a filter pad is placed on the filter support (23), the underside of the filter pad rests on the support projections (33) so that liquid (coffee) flows out of the bottom of the filter pad and over the surface (32). A sieve (34) is provided around the discharge opening (26). In this example, the sieve (34) comprises upstands (35) that are spaced apart to provide apertures (36). The apertures (36) are the same width or narrower than the discharge opening (31) so that they allow liquid (coffee) to pass from the surface (32) to the discharge opening (31), but prevent particles, such as stray coffee grounds, reaching and blocking the discharge opening (31).

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